

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to clarify the subject matter and remove multiple dependencies. The amendments and newly added claim do not add any new matter within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §132.

Early action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARKED-UP COPY OF CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

(Amended) 15. Method according to [one of the claims 12 - 14] claim 12, characterized in that the strand of plastic material (20) is formed by forming means comprising at least one rotatable roller (24) having a circumferential profile substantially corresponding with the desired profile of the strand of plastic material (20) applied on the edge (14) of the workpiece (16).

(Amended) 16. Method according to [one of the claims 12 - 14] claim 12, characterized in that the strand of plastic material (20) is formed by forming means comprising several rotatable rollers (24) arranged successively, the rollers (24) having different circumferential profiles such that the rollers (24) altogether form the strand of plastic material (20) applied on the edge (14) of the workpiece (16) in the desired profile.

(Amended) 21. Plate-like workpiece, manufactured by means of an apparatus according to [one of claims 1 to 11 and/or by a method according to one of claims 12 to 20] claim 1, wherein on an edge (14) of the workpiece (16) a strand of plastic material (20)

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(Amended) 15. Method according to claim 12, characterized in that the strand of plastic material (20) is formed by forming means comprising at least one rotatable roller (24) having a circumferential profile substantially corresponding with the desired profile of the strand of plastic material (20) applied on the edge (14) of the workpiece (16).

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(Amended) 21. Plate-like workpiece, manufactured by means of an apparatus according to claim 1, wherein on an edge (14) of the workpiece (16) a strand of plastic material (20) is extruded, formed in a desired profile, and hardened, the formed strand of plastic material (20) being fixedly joint with

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